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SUBJECT: JOINT APPROACH TO SOUTH AFRICA ON NAMIBIA

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1. DEPARTMENT'S AND USUN'S ATTENTION DRAWN TO SUPPLEMENTARY RESOLUTION ADOPTED LAST WEEK IN DAR BY OAU FONMINS CREATING SPECIAL OAU COMMITTEE COMPOSED OF AFRICAN MEMBERS OF UN COUNCIL FOR NAMIBIA TO DEAL WITH ALL MATTERS CONCERNING NAMIBIA.

2. FROM WAY PRESIDENTIAL ADVISER CHONA SPOKE TO ME ABOUT FORMATION OF THIS COMMITTEE, I HAD DISTINCT IMPRESSION IT WAS CONCEIVED AND DESIGNED TO OVERCOME VORSTER'S OBJECTIONS TO DEALING EXCLUSIVELY WITH UN OR SWAPO LEADER NUJOMA AND IN RESPONSE TO HINTS VORSTER HAD THROWN OUT HE WOULD DEAL WITH OAU.

3. RECOMMEND US-UK-FRENCH APPROACH TO SAG BE HELD UP
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UNTIL ASST SECY DAVIS HAS OPPORTUNITY TO MEET WITH CHONA

IN WASHINGTON ON APRIL 15 OR 16 TO HEAR BACKGROUND OF OAU RESOLUTION BASED ON CHONA'S DIRECT TALKS WITH VORSTER ON NAIMBIAN PROBLEM. SUCH BRIEFING WOULD OPEN UP WINDOW FOR US ON VORSTER'S THINKING RE NAMIBIA AND ALLOW OPPORTUNITY DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT LANGUAGE OF AIDE MEMOIRE SHOULD BE MODIFIED IN LIGHT OAU RESOLUTUION TO IMPROVE POSSIBILITIES FOR ELICITING KIND OF RESPONSE WE AND COSPONSORS DESIRE.

4. ASST SECY MEETING WITH CHONA WOULD SEEM OFFER ADDITIONAL ADVANTAGE OF CHANNELING CHONA'S THINKING AND INFLUENCING OAU'S ACTIONS IN A WAY WHICH WILL HARMONIZE AND COORDINATE OUR EFFORTS AND AVOID WORKING AT CROSS PURPOSES. WE AND OUR COLLABORATORS SHARE WITH OAU COMMON OBJECTIVE OF ACTION ASAP BY SOUTH AFRICAN TO COMPLY WITH SECURITY COUNCIL'S MAY 30 DEADLINE. MOREOVER, IT IS TO INTEREST OF USG, UK AND FRANCE TO DRAW ATTENTION TO THIS COMMONALITY OF INTEREST.
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